

## INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No.

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## A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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## B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)  
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## C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	JP 61-69759 A (Director General, Agency of Industrial Science and Technology), 10 April, 1986 (10.04.86), Full text (Family: none)	1-7
X	WO 01/91814 A (VIRIDIS BIOTECH INC.), 12 June, 2001 (12.06.01), Full text & EP 1284992 A	1-7
X	SAKAMOTO, Takeshi; Li, Hao; KIKUGAWA, Yasuo, A Total Synthesis of Nannochelin A. A Short Route to Optically Active N. omega.-Hydroxy-.alpha.-amino Acid Derivatives, Journal of Organic Chemistry (1996), 61(24), 8496-8499	1-7

 Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C.  See patent family annex.

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**<Subject of search>**

Even though the statement in the description is discussed, it is unclear what compounds are involved (other than those specifically cited) and what are not in the scope of the terms "low-molecular weight compounds having 2 or more carboxyl groups", "derivatives thereof", "biological low-molecular weight compounds", "derivatives thereof" and "high-molecular weight compounds" as set forth in claims. Moreover, various compounds over extremely broad scopes may fall within the categories thereof and thus complete search can be hardly made on each of these compounds. On the other hand, only part of the compounds as claimed in claims 1 to 7 are supported by the description in the meaning within Patent Cooperation Treaty Article 6 and disclosed in the description in the meaning within Patent Cooperation Treaty Article 5.

Therefore, claims 1 to 7 and the description do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out.

In this international search report, therefore, prior art documents were examined on the compounds specifically cited in the description in so far as possible and reasonable, concerning the inventions according to claims 1 to 7.